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**SUBJECT LINE: Invitation to PMCC Meeting: Next Measures Update Sept. 5**

Dear Feedback Network Member,

The second Performance Measures Coordinating Committee (PMCC) meeting will take place Friday, September 5 from 9:00 am to noon at the Puget Sound Regional Council in Seattle. At that time, the Common Measures Technical Workgroups will provide formal updates to the committee. The public is welcome to attend in person, by phone or webinar. Register for the webinar at: <https://www2.gotomeeting.com/register/624322634>.

**NOTE: We have a new webinar system. If you registered previously for this or any other upcoming committee webinar, you must re-register. The inconvenience is necessary to correct past issues. Use the link above or watch for a personal email that will be sent to everyone already registered.**

As a preview, the following update on development of the core measures list by the PMCC and workgroups is provided to keep you informed on progress of the work initiated through legislation ([HB 2572](#)).

The three technical workgroups have met bi-weekly since June 27 and are in the process of prioritizing measures that address Prevention, Chronic Illness and Acute Care. Each group will identify 15 measures to include in a draft “starter set” of 45 measures to present to the PMCC in late October. All groups are making very good progress and will continue to hold bi-weekly meetings until all topics are addressed.

The following summarizes tentative (or draft) decisions made to date – all subject to change based on further review and feedback:

Workgroup	Measures Tentatively Selected for Inclusion in the Starter Set	Measures Reviewed and Excluded/No Longer Being Considered
Prevention	6	20
Acute Care	9	90
Chronic Illness	7	34
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>144</b>

Each workgroup has identified several potential measures still under consideration and each is in the process of identifying important topics and/or specific measures for inclusion in a *future* measure set dependent upon (1) the availability of one or more nationally vetted measures relevant for a broad cross section of the population and (2) data readily available within Washington State to enable measurement and reporting at the medical group, hospital, health plan and/or geographic level.

In an effort to keep everyone informed, we are posting all of the meeting materials and meeting webinar registration links on the Healthier Washington website’s Performance Measures page:

[http://www.hca.wa.gov/shcip/Pages/performance\\_measures.aspx](http://www.hca.wa.gov/shcip/Pages/performance_measures.aspx). Summaries for the technical workgroup meetings are located there, along with all other materials presented at each meeting. Please keep in mind this is an ongoing process and any measures currently listed are subject to change. You may notice crossover measures on more than one list.

Thank you for your interest in helping make Washington a healthy place to live, work, and play!

Let us know if you have any questions.

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